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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with William Miller and Hal Ford,
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Staff

1. This afternoon, Bill Miller and Hal Ford, Senate Select Committee staff, visited the Agency for a meeting with Mr. E. H. Knoche, DDCI, and Messrs. [REDACTED] and George L. Cary. The basic purpose of the meeting was to follow up on earlier discussions on the intention of the Committee to look into the subject of intelligence analysis and production. Mr. Miller explained that four Subcommittees have now been established. They are: 25X1A

Subcommittee on Rights of American Citizens, Chairman Bayh
Subcommittee on Intelligence Collection, Production and Quality, Chairman Stevenson
Subcommittee on Intelligence Charters, Chairman Huddleston
Subcommittee on Budget, Chairman Hathaway.

2. Mr. Miller indicated that the senior staff man for the Intelligence Production Subcommittee will be Hal Ford. Other members of the Subcommittee staff will be Ann Karalekas and Rick Inderfurth and Miller said he would spend as much of his time as he could spare on this subject. He said they were interested in going into the entire Intelligence Community production effort. As he put it they want to cover intelligence production from "A to Z." Messrs. [REDACTED] and Knoche pointed out there would be some problem areas, especially with respect to the President's Daily Brief and certain contingency estimates. Mr. Miller said he understood this and explained that it was the intention of the Committee to operate in a non-adversary posture. They hope to work jointly with the Agency in looking into the various areas of their interest. He added that they want to avoid confrontations on policy matters or on the availability of publications. He made it clear, however, that they want to review the entire product of all intelligence agencies and to be informed with regard to the particular consumers of this product. Mr. Knoche said he expected to be in a position to respond to Mr. Miller on this subject by Friday. It is expected that we will prepare a list of CIA publications so that their immediate areas of interest can be identified. This will make their review 25X1A

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of these publications manageable. Mr. Miller indicated he would like the DCI to coordinate this effort on behalf of the Committee for the Intelligence Community. Mr. Knoche pointed out that while we could tackle this question within the Agency, he would want to consult with the Director as to how it could be worked out within the Intelligence Community.

25X1C 3. Mr. Miller said the Committee as a whole would cover the subjects of oversight and covert action. He mentioned that the 29th of July looks like a good date for our wrapup briefing on all covert action programs and suggested that at that time we give the Committee an evaluation of the effectiveness of the [REDACTED] program (which was the first covert action finding on which this Committee was briefed). In the future, he said the Committee would want to receive follow-up reports on the effectiveness of these programs. He said they also would want to get periodic reports on all covert action programs in some way that would not pose an undue burden.

4. In connection with the activities of the Budget Subcommittee, Mr. Knoche strongly recommended that they get a very knowledgeable staff man to handle this subject. Mr. Miller said he had someone in mind for this position, and the inference was it was someone presently in the Agency, but he declined to name him at this time. He said they had the problem of concern about co-option in this regard but he feels it absolutely essential that they get an individual in this position with some background and experience.

5. After Mr. Miller covered the above topics, Mr. Knoche indicated there were several points he wished to raise in which the Committee could be helpful to the Agency. In connection with Chairman Inouye's discussion with Mr. Knoche about CIA relationships with GAO, Mr. Knoche said he would like this to be a three-pronged arrangement in which we work with GAO under arrangements established by the SSCI with the GAO reporting its findings to the SSCI under strict security safeguards. Mr. Miller said this was quite satisfactory from their standpoint since they expect the GAO to report exclusively to their Committee on matters pertaining to intelligence.

6. Mr. Knoche mentioned that if we were to cooperate fully with the Committee as we both hoped that we could, it would be absolutely essential that there be good security procedures both with respect to the clearance of staff and to the handling of information. Mr. Miller mentioned that they had had a very good session with Mr. Gambino and FBI representatives on the subject of staff clearances and we agreed that the system worked out in that meeting appeared to be

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mutually beneficial both to the Committee and to the Intelligence Community. Memoranda of Understanding are being prepared by the FBI and the Agency on this subject. [REDACTED] stressed the importance of including in the rules a prohibition against publication by staff members of information obtained in the course of employment with the SSCI not only during the period of employment but also for the indefinite future. Mr. Miller stated that that provision was being written into the rules.

7. Mr. Knoche then turned to the subject of changes in the intelligence charter. We indicated that the Director was particularly anxious to get action on the Second Deputy legislation as soon as it is cleared by OMB and submitted to the Hill. We said that while topics such as the sources and methods legislation could be included in the overall revision of the 1947 and 1949 Acts, the Director was anxious to have the Congress act on the Second Deputy legislation at the earliest possible opportunity. Mr. Knoche also mentioned the CIARDS legislation which is pending in the Rules Committee in the House and we expressed the hope that legislation can clear the Congress before final action is taken by the conferees on the [REDACTED] bill which contains the annual appropriation to the [REDACTED]. Mr. Miller indicated he expects substantial progress by the various Subcommittees in the areas of their jurisdiction, it is fairly clear that no final action will be taken on the intelligence charters in this Congress.

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8. Mr. Knoche brought up the subject of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts and the excessive burden which this legislation has placed on CIA. He said he was hopeful the Committee would focus on this area and provide some relief. Mr. Miller said he thought the Committee would be receptive to our appeal to look into this area.

9. Finally, Mr. Knoche advised Mr. Miller that we would want to consult with the staff and the Committee on the legal and practical complications arising from the Agency's responsibility for collection of intelligence on international terrorism.

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